GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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EMU`s SERVICES
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have plans to operate Electric Multiple Units (EMUs) in the Southern States;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is any possibility to operate EMU`s in the Southern States on the line of Mumbai suburban Railway System;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Railways shall take up the matter of linking railway stations by buses where direct bus services to railway stations are not available at present with the Kerala State Transport Department; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINITRY OF RAILWAYS (DR. R. VELU)

(a) to (d): Electric Multiple Units (EMUs) services are available on Chennai Central-Sullurpeta, Chennai Central-Arakkonam, Chennai Beach-Chengalpattu and Chennai Beach-Velacherry sections. With 63 rakes online, 651 EMU services are running in Chennai suburbs. There is no proposal at present to extend the Electric Multiple Units (EMU) services to other sections in Southern states.

(e) & (f): All major Railway stations in Kerala area have been directly linked with road transport. As and when new requirements shall arise, the matter will be taken up with the Kerala State Road Transport Corporation.